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herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.
$oxed{X}$ This communication is responsive to $\underline{2/14/00}$.
★ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7 and 10-13
★ The drawings filed on Feb 14, 2000 are acceptable.
☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
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received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
\square received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" of this Office action. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).
☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 2 . ∴ ∴ ∴ ∴ → ← ー
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on <u>Feb 14, 2000</u> , which has been approved by the examiner.
☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.
Attachment(s)
☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s).
☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
 ☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413 ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: No prior art discloses

or fairly suggests a collet assembly comprising a collet defined by an axial collet bore, a collet

housing, a spindle, a collar, a plurality of struts, biasing means, tabs for holding a tool shaft and

including all the other limitations in the independent and dependent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should

be directed to Mark T. Henderson whose telephone number is (703)305-0189. The examiner can

be reached on Monday - Friday from 7:30 AM to 3:45 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by

telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner supervisor, A. L. Pitts, can be reached on (703) 308-

2159. The fax number for TC 3700 is (703)305-3579. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating

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to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the TC 3700 receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-1148.

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March 10, 2000

Andrea L. Pitts Supervisory Patent Examiner Group 3700